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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE ANNOUNCES RECRUITING AND RETENTION NUMBERS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022

The Department of Defense (DoD) today announced recruiting and retention statistics for the Active and Reserve Components through the first month of fiscal year (FY) 2022 October 31, 2021.

• Pandemic's Impact.

- The Services' continuing efforts throughout the accession pipeline help mitigate the lingering effects of the COVID-19 pandemic on the recruiting enterprise.
- Appropriate adjustments have been made to ensure the safety and well-being of Service members, their families, and potential recruits. Collectively, these efforts ensure the force is safely manned while meeting the mission needs of the National Defense Strategy.

• Active Component.

- o **Recruiting.** The data below represents the Services' cumulative goals and accessions/gains through the first month of FY2022.
 - Army Accessions: Goal 4,300; Attained 3,683; (85.65 percent/-617).
 - Navy Accessions: Goal 1,629; Attained 1,748; (107.31 percent/+119).
 - Marine Corps Accessions: Goal 2,360; Attained 2,364; (100.17 percent/+4).
 - Air Force Accessions: Goal 1,951; Attained 1,953; (100.10 percent/+2).
 - Space Force Accessions: Goal 32; Attained 32; (100.00 percent/+0).
- O Quality. All Active Components met or exceeded the DoD quality benchmarks.
- Retention. All Services exhibited strong retention during the first month of FY2022.
 Navy, Air Force, and Marine Corps met or exceed their retention targets. Army came in slightly below their targets.

• Reserve Component.

- o **Recruiting.** The Service data below represents the Reserve Components' cumulative goals and accessions/gains thru the first month of FY2022.
 - Army NG Gains: Goal 3,583; Attained 2,445 (68.24 percent/-1,138).
 - Army Reserve Gains: Goal 689; Attained 662 (96.08 percent/-27).
 - Navy Reserve Gains: Goal 434; Attained 383 (88.25 percent/-51).
 - Marine Corps Reserve Gains: Goal 652; Attained 805 (123.47 percent/+153).
 - Air NG Gains: Goal 429; Attained 316 (73.66 percent/-113).
 - Air Force Reserve Gains: Goal 547; Attained 561 (102.56 percent/+14).
- o **Quality.** With the exception of the Navy Reserve, the Reserve Components met or exceeded the DoD quality benchmarks.

Detailed information on specific recruiting data can be obtained by contacting the individual military recruiting commands at 502-626-0164 for Army, 210-565-4678 for Air Force, 703-784-9454 for Marine Corps, and 901-874-9048 for Navy. The Reserve Components can be reached at the following numbers: National Guard Bureau 703-607-2586, Army Reserve 910-570-8330, Air Force Reserve 703-697-1761, Navy Reserve 757-322-5652, and Marine Corps Reserve 504-678-6535.